

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image forming apparatus comprising:
lamine object conveying means for conveying
an object to be laminated, i.e., a laminate object;

5 laminate means for effecting laminate
processing on the laminate object;

drying means for drying the laminate object
before the laminate object is laminated by said
lamine means; and

10 means for changing a temperature of said
drying means between before and when the laminate
object is conveyed to said drying means.

2. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
15 1, wherein the temperature of said drying means when
the laminate object is conveyed to said drying means is
greater than the temperature of said drying means
before the laminate object is conveyed to said drying
means.

20 3. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
1, wherein said drying means includes an upper drying
roller for contacting with a surface, to be subjected
to the laminate processing, of the laminate object, and
25 a lower drying roller for contacting with a back
surface of the laminate object, and said upper
laminating roller has a heater.

4. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
3, wherein, before said lower drying roller is rotated
by one revolution after the temperature is changed by
said heater, the laminate object is conveyed to a nip
5 between said upper drying roller and said lower drying
roller.

5. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
1, wherein said laminate means including a heat
10 transferring head disposed at a side of a surface, to
be subjected to the laminate processing, of the
laminate object, and a roller disposed at a side of a
back surface of the laminate object.

15 6. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
5, wherein said heat transferring head has an
electrothermal converter.

20 7. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
1, wherein laminate object is a recording medium on
which an image was formed by discharging ink from
according head.

25 8. An image forming apparatus according to Claim
7, wherein said recording head has an electrothermal
converter for generating thermal energy utilized in
discharging of the ink.

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